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OFFICIAL. TREASURY DEPARTMENT, Dec. 1, 1886. Notice is hereby given to holders of stocks of the United States that this Department will purchase to the amount of \$1,500,000 of said stocks at any time when the same may be offered prior to the 1st day of June next, and will pay therefor the following prices, to wit:

For stock of the loan of 1848, a premium of ten per cent; for stock of the loans of 1847 and 1848, a premium of fifteen per cent; for stock issued under the act of 1850, commonly called Texas-Indemnity stock, a premium of six per cent; and for stock of the loan of 1846, redeemable on the 12th November, 1846, if received at the Treasury prior to the 1st day of January next, a premium of 2 1/2 per cent; if received between the 1st of January and the 31st of March next, a premium of 2 per cent; and if received after the 31st of March and prior to said 1st of June next, a premium of 1 1/2 per cent.

Interest will also be allowed on said stocks at the rates specified in the certificates, from the 1st July last, if assigned with the principal of the certificates received prior to the 1st of January next. After that date the interest will be allowed in addition to the premium from 1st of January to the date of their receipt. In both cases one day's interest will be allowed in addition for the money to reach the seller.

Certificates transmitted to this Department under the present notice should be duly assigned to the United States (with the current half year's interest, if sent prior to the 1st of January next) by the party entitled to receive the purchase money. Payment for these stocks will be made by drafts upon the assistant treasurers at Boston, New York, or Philadelphia, as the parties entitled to receive the money may direct.

JAMES GUTHRIE, Secretary of the Treasury. NEW FIRM AND NEW ARRANGEMENTS! THE UNDERSIGNED, T. POTENTINI & S. ZITELLI, having formed a copartnership for the purpose of carrying on the CONFRECTIONERY AND RESTAURANT business, at 279 Pennsylvania Avenue, under the style of POTENTINI & ZITELLI.

WATCHES. M. W. GALT & BRO. OFFERS COMPLETELY a complete assortment of superior watches. They call particular attention to those made by T. F. Cooper, F. B. Adams & Sons, David Taylor, Dixon, Orzig, and others, London. M. T. Tobias & Co., R. J. Boesly, Joseph Julius, Hummel & Co., Liverpool, etc.

FISHING TACKLE. CHINESE GRASS, SILK, LINEN AND COTTON FISH LINES, furnished complete and unperfected. Kline, Limerick, Gravitation, Virginias, and Chestnutown Fish Hooks of all sizes. Limerick Hooks on Silk worm Gut. Ringed, hollow and bank Sinkers. Best Bamboo and Wood Rods. Also everything in the Fishing Tackle line for sale very low by E. K. LUNDY, ap 10-11 185 Bridge St., Georgetown.

FISHING TACKLE. WE WOULD RESPECTFULLY INFORM those of our friends and the public who indulge in the sport of angling, that we have just completed a complete assortment of FISHING TACKLE, of all the various kinds and descriptions; rods, Reels, Lines, Flies, Sinkers, Floats, Hooks, Bait Boxes, Pouches, Conduits, etc. In fact every thing necessary to fit out for the sport; and to regular fishermen who buy by the quantity we would say, call on us. In quality, quantity and price we cannot be surpassed.

HARDWARE AND BUILDING MATERIALS. WE BEG LEAVE TO CALL THE ATTENTION of our customers and builders generally to our stock of HARDWARE AND BUILDING MATERIALS; also, TOOLS of every description, Baltimore Chapin's Plains, Davenport & Malloy's Locks, American Socket Prime Chisels in sets or single, Spear & Jackson's hand, panel, tenon, Copress and rip Saws, and every thing usually found in the Hardware trade. We earnestly invite a call, feeling confident that the quality of our goods, and the prices we will give, will be satisfactory.

REMOVAL—REAL ESTATE AGENCY. THE SUBSCRIBER HAS REMOVED HIS Office to No. 419 Thirteenth street, between G and H. He continues to pay special attention to the sale and purchase of Real Estate; renting houses, farms, and cottages; Negotiating Loans; buying and selling Mortgages, Bonds, and Warrants, &c., &c. Persons having property to sell, or those wishing to buy or rent, will find it their interest to call on him.

FRINGE AND TRIMMING MANUFACTORY. LADIES DRESS TRIMMINGS IN FRINGES and Fancy Buttons, Cords and Tassels, every variety on hand and made to order. Wide Tassels Fringe, Bugle Gimp and Buttons, fancy Wash TRIMMINGS, &c. P. Penna, avenue, bet. 9th and 10th streets, ap 12-15-16 Mrs. LOWE.

SPRING MILLINERY. THE SUBSCRIBER HAS JUST OPENED HIS SPRING STOCK OF SILK AND STRAW BONNETS, RIBBONS, FLOWERS, &c., and respectfully invite my old customers and the public to pay me a visit, if they desire to see a very beautiful, fashionable lot of Millinery, all of which is for sale at extraordinary low prices. My latest selections of the newest styles of PARIS BONNETS of the fashion in that city for this Spring are unsurpassed in the United States.

SPRING OPENING OF 1886. THE SUBSCRIBER HAS JUST RETURNED from the Eastern Markets with one of the largest and most varied assortments of FRENCH BONNETS, RIBBONS, and other Ladies DRESS TRIMMINGS in great profusion. Particular attention paid to Dress making in the latest French styles. Neatness and despatch may be relied on in all cases.

DUPLICATE PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED at this office until the 25th day of April instant, at 12 o'clock, for engraving upon Copper, for the use of the Senate and House of Representatives, in the best manner, fifteen charts of Harbors, &c., to accompany the report of Commodore Perry of the recent expedition to Japan.

WORM DESTROYING SYRUP. THE ONLY KNOWN REMEDY WHICH never fails to destroy Worms without injury to the patient. It is warranted to be a purely vegetable compound, and compared with other preparations it is pleasant to take, and innocuous in its operation. It needs but a little to prove its efficacy. Price 15 cents a bottle. For sale at the Drug and Chemical Store, No. 468 Pa. Avenue, next to U. S. Hotel. P. S.—A liberal deduction will be made on the trade. ap 20-21

SPRING AND SUMMER GOODS. JOHN H. SMOOT, No. 119 SOUTH SIDE OF Bridge street, Georgetown, has received, per recent arrivals from New York and Philadelphia, a large and well assorted stock of SPRING AND SUMMER GOODS, comprising a general assortment of the newest styles for Ladies, Gents, and Children's Wear. Also, Furnishing and Domestic Goods.

RESTAURANT AND READING ROOM. S. E. cor. E and 7th sts., opp. P. O. Department. THE BEST OF SEGARS, AND CHEWING TOBACCO; strictly choice OYSTERS, SEA TURTLE, TERRA D'ARAGON, QUAIL, WOODCOCK, SNIPPE, VENISON and BEEF STEAK, served by an experienced Cook and polite servants, in pleasant rooms. Private entrances to Reading and Eating rooms. Call at 7th and B streets, or apply to public Bar Rooms. FAMILIES SUPPLIED WITH OYSTERS on chafing dis. c. WHISKIES, ALES and other drinks, 6 cts. Pine Fruit and other delicacies, by Caroline Hentz, lady proprietress, in Reading rooms. Your patronage is respectfully solicited. ap 15

LADIES' DRESS GOODS. JOHN H. SMOOT, No. 119 SOUTH SIDE OF Bridge street, Georgetown, D. C., has received, per recent arrivals from New York and Philadelphia, a large and well assorted stock of SPRING AND SUMMER GOODS, comprising a general assortment of the newest styles for Ladies, Gents, and Children's Wear. Also, Furnishing and Domestic Goods.

NEW DRESS GOODS. WEGAN & SON, No. 323 PA. AVENUE, 3d door east from Seventh street, have now in store a great variety of NEW DRESS GOODS, many of which being bought at auction at very low prices, viz: Black Silks, Serge, Robes, Shally Robes, Lawn Robes, De Balze Robes, Berage Delains, Fancy Lawns, black and white Lawns, colored Brilliant, solid colors, all wool M. T. Laine, plain Serge, plain Tissues, Mounting Delains, English Chinz Prints, Madras Prints, Merrimac Prints, etc. Colors Gingham, Manchester and Domestic Gingham, black Alpaca and Bombazine, Nensook, Book and Swiss Muslin, at less expense, than any other Apparat, take up less space, and is free from all noxious odors, while its original cost is fifty per cent less. For Public Buildings or Private Dwellings, this Gas is a very desirable and economical article, and in the country highly advantageous, as the Gas can be manufactured from any kind of grease that is now considered valueless and thrown away. It is very simple in its construction, not liable to get out of order, and can be tended with entire safety by an ignorant servant, or child, without the least danger.

NEW SPRING MILLINERY. ON THIRTEENTH STREET, APRIL THIRD, MRS. THOMPSON will open out a stock of SPRING MILLINERY, and we respectfully solicit a call from Ladies on the above named day. H. THOMPSON & MUNRO, ap 2-12 No. 310, Pa. av., bet. 9th and 10th sts.

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THREE WELL-BUILT FRAME HOUSES with their Lots for sale. Also, a number of Building Lots, all in the First Ward. Apply to GILBERT CAMERON, 143 B street, opposite Smithsonian Institution. ap 16-17

FOR SALE—A VALUABLE TWO STORY AND ATTIC FRAME HOUSE and Lot No. 306, on 8th street, built of best material, containing two bedrooms, wide passage, cellar, all necessary out buildings, and fruit trees in the yard, and is considered one of the most convenient houses in the city. Terms, one-fourth cash; residue in six, twelve and eighteen months. Inquire on the premises. ap 14-15

FOR RENT—THE LARGE HOUSE, COMPREHENSIVE FURNISHING, situated on the corner of Pa. Avenue and the President's Square. Possession given immediately. Enquire on the premises. No. 224 Pa. Avenue. ap 5-17

FOR RENT—SEVERAL HANDSOME PARLORS and Chambers, with board. Also, table and transient board. Inquire at Mrs. SMITH'S, 233 F Street. nov 27-17

FOR RENT—A TWO STORY BRICK HOUSE, with a two story wing. It has extensive grounds about it, and is situated on the south-west corner of 11th and D streets, near the Plaza. Key at Mr. C. ALEXANDER'S, near Winder's building. mar 20-eolm

FOR RENT—A TWO STORY HOUSE containing seven rooms, besides the kitchen, with gas through the house. Apply at 106, H street, between 15th and 19th street. ap 10-eo6t

FOR RENT—THE STOCK AND FIXTURES of a retail store, doing a good business. Reasons for selling will be made known by addressing W. C. A., at this office, giving name and residence. Terms liberal. ap 2-2awif

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LA RABBIATA; OR, LOVE AND PRIDE. CHAPTER I. The sun had not yet risen, and a heavy mist hung over Mount Vesuvius, spreading on towards Naples, and enveloping the small towns on the coast. The sea was calm. On the beach of a small gulf under the Sorrentine rocks several fishermen were engaged in hauling up the boats and nets which had been used during the night, whilst others were preparing their tackle and trimming their sails for a fresh start. No one was idle; for even the old women had brought out their spindles, and the wives and children were engaged in work of play.

"Look here, Rachel! there is our padre," said an old woman to a little thing of ten years old, who played round her spindles. "He is just stepping into the boat. Antonio is to take him over to Capri. Holy Maria! how sleepy the venerable pastor looks!" Thus saying, she greeted a little benevolent looking priest, who was just seating himself in a boat, after having carefully lifted his long black robe and spread it on the bench. The men on the shore paused in their work to see the departure of their pastor, who nodded and greeted right and left.

"Why does he go to Capri, grandmamma?" asked the child. "Have the people there no priest, that they have to borrow ours?" "Silly child!" said the old woman; "they have plenty of priests over there, and the most beautiful churches, and even a hermit, which we have not. But there is a noble lady who lived here for some time, and was so ill that more than once it was thought she could not recover, and the priest had to go to her with the Host. However, the Holy Virgin succored her; she is now strong and well again; and bathes in the sea every day. When she went forth from this place over to Capri, she gave a great heap of ducats to the church and to the poor, and would not go till the padre had promised to continue his visits to her here, that she might confess to him. She had wonderful confidence in him, and we may consider ourselves fortunate in keeping him as a pastor, for he has the talent of an archbishop and many of the highest in the island inquire after him. The Madonna be with him!"

Whereupon she again nodded towards the little boat, which was just pushing off from the shore. "Shall we have fine weather, my son?" inquired the little priest, looking doubtfully towards Naples. "The sun has not yet risen," replied the young owner of the boat; "it will soon clear away the mist." Antonio seized the long oar to push the boat into deep water, but suddenly stopped and looked up the steep path which led from the beach to the little town of Sorrento. The slight form of a girl was visible hastening down the steps, and waving a handkerchief. She carried a little bundle under her arm, and her dress was plain in the extreme; but the head thrown haughtily back, and the noble air of the features, contrasted strangely with her apparent poverty. The black braids of her hair were crossed above her forehead, like the diadem to which she seemed born.

"Why are we waiting?" asked the priest. "There is a woman coming towards the boat who wants to go to Capri, if you do not object, padre. We shall not go any the slower, for she is a little thing, scarcely eighteen years of age." At this moment the girl stepped from behind the wall which enclosed the winding path. "Laurella!" said the priest; "what has she to do in Capri?" Antonio shrugged his shoulders. The girl advanced hastily with her eyes on the ground. "How do you do, La Rabbia!" cried several of the young sailors. They would have said more had not the presence of the priest restrained them; for the silent, sorrowful way in which they received their greeting seemed to criticize the rude salutation of the young men. "How do you do, Laurella?" said the priest; "how are you to day? Do you wish to go to Capri?"

"With your permission, padre." "Ask Antonio; he is the owner of the boat. Every one is master of his own property, and God is Lord over us all." "Here is a half carline," said Laurella, without looking at the young boatman; "can I go?" "You want it more than I do," murmured the young man, as he pushed aside some baskets of oranges to make room. "I shall not go for nothing," replied the girl, knitting her black eyebrows. "Come, child," said the priest; "he is a good youth, and will not make himself rich at the expense of your little store. There, get in, and sit down here by me. See, he has spread his jacket, that you may sit more comfortably; he did not do so much for me; but that is the way with young people—more care is taken of little girls like you than of their revered gentlemen. Well, well, you need not excuse yourself, Tonino; this is always the way of the world!"

Laurella had meanwhile stepped into the boat and seated herself; but she pushed the jacket on one side without a word of thanks. The young sailor did not remove it, but murmured reproachfully from the shore, and the little girl flew into the gulf. "What have you got in that bundle?" asked the priest, while they sailed across the water, which was just now glistening in the first rays of the sun. "Silk, thread, and a bit of loaf, padre. I am to sell the silk to a woman in Anacapri, who makes ribbon, and the thread to some one else." "Did you spin it yourself?" "Yes, padre." "If I remember right, you have also learnt to make ribbons?" "Yes, padre; but my mother is so much worse that I cannot leave the house, and we are not able to buy a loom for ourselves." "Oh! is she worse? When I was with you at Easter, she was sitting up." "The spring is always the worst time with her. Ever since the great storm and the earthquake, she has suffered so much as to be obliged to keep her bed."

"Indeed! then you must be earnest in prayer to the Virgin for her, and be good and industrious, that your prayers may be heard." After a pause, he continued: "As you were coming down to the shore they shouted 'How do you do, La Rabbia!' Why do they call you so? It is not a pretty name for a Christian girl. You are called after a saint, and the houses in the orange-gardens around Sorrento looked dazzling white in the morning rays." "Have you heard nothing more of that painter, Laurella—that Neapolitan who wished to marry you?" asked the priest. She shook her head. "He came once to take your picture: why did you refuse to allow him?" "What did he want it for? There are many girls more beautiful than I am. And then, who knows what he would have done with it? My mother said he might be a scholar, and injure my life, perhaps even hurt my soul." "Do not believe such silly things," said the priest earnestly. "Are you not always in the hands of God, without whose will not a hair of your head falls; and can a man like that, with a mere picture in his hand, be more powerful than our Heavenly Father? Besides, that man might have known that the wished you well, or would he have asked you in marriage?" "The girl was silent." "And why did you refuse to marry?" continued the priest, after a pause. "He was a good and handsome man, and would have supported your mother much better than you can do with the trifles you earn by spinning and silk-winding." "We are poor people," replied Laurella vehemently; "and my mother, has been so long ill, I should have been a burden to him. Besides, I am not fit to be a scholar. When his friends came to visit him, he would have been ashamed of me." "How you talk! I tell you that he was an excellent man; and, besides, he would have come to live in Sorrento. You will not easily find such another; he seemed as if sent from heaven to succor you." "I do not want a husband; I shall never marry," she said disdainfully, and as if speaking to herself. "Have you ever made a vow, or are you going into a convent?" "She shook her head." "People are right in calling you headstrong. Do you consider that you are not alone in the world, and that you make the illness and poverty of your mother only more bitter by your obstinacy? What good reason could you have for refusing the honest man who wished to support you? Answer me, Laurella." "I have a reason," said she, in a low and hesitating voice, "but I cannot tell it." "Not tell it?—not to me!—to your father confessor? You know I always seek your good—do you not, Laurella?" She nodded. "Then unbend your heart, my child. If you are right, I will be the first to commend you to the Holy Virgin, and know little of the world, and may afterwards regret having thrown away your happiness for some childish fancy." She cast a hasty glance towards the young man, who, busy with his oar, sat in the bow of the boat, his wooden cap drawn down over his eyes. He was gazing on the sea, and seemed occupied with his own thoughts. The priest saw her look, and bent down his ear.

"You did not know my father," she whispered, and her eyes were full of gloom. "Your father! why he died when you were scarcely ten years old, I think! What has your father, whose soul, I trust, is in Paradise, to do with your obstinacy?" "You did not know him, padre! You do not know that to him alone is my mother's illness owing?" "How so?" inquired the priest with surprise. "Because he beat and ill-treated her. I remember well the nights when he would come home in a perfect fury. She never spoke a word, and did all he wished; but he would beat her till my heart nearly broke. I used to draw the covering over my head, and pretend to be asleep; but in truth I cried all night. And when he saw her lying on the floor, his manner would suddenly change; he would raise her, and clasp her in his arms, close to his heart, till she cried out half suffocated, 'Why do you do this to me? Why do you do this to me? Why do you do this to me?' and then, as if by magic, she would be as good as dead. 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